



ADUR & WORTHING
COUNCILS

Joint Strategic Committee
9 June 2020
Agenda Item 18

Key Decision: [~~Yes~~/No]

Ward(s) Affected: All Worthing

Referral of Motion on Notice from Worthing Borough Council

Report by the Acting Director for Housing & Wellbeing

1. Purpose

- 1.1. This report sets out a motion (attached as Appendix 1) referred from the meeting of Worthing Borough Council on the 18 February 2020.
- 1.2. Members of the Joint Strategic committee are asked to consider and determine the Motion.
- 1.3. Members can either support the motion and ask for further work to be carried out in this regard, or, members can reject the motion.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. That the Joint Strategic Committee support the motion and determine how further work is carried out; or,
- 2.2. That the Joint Strategic Committee reject the motion.

3. Context

- 3.1 At its meeting on the 18 February 2020, Worthing Borough Council received a motion from Councillor Bob Smytherman and seconded by Councillor Martin McCabe, details of which can be found in Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The motion submitted to Council contained subject matter that is within the remit of the Joint Strategic Committee, as defined in para 14.4.1 of the Council's Procedure Rules. Therefore, it was moved and seconded, immediately noted by the Council and referred without debate to the Joint Strategic Committee for consideration and determination.
- 3.3 Where a motion has been referred by Full Council to the Joint Strategic Committee, the mover, or the seconder in the absence of the mover, shall be entitled to attend the relevant meeting of the Executive and explain the motion. Councillor Bob Smytherman has been made aware that the motion has been referred to this Committee.

4. Issues for consideration

- 4.1 The Joint Strategic Committee can either support or reject the motion
- 4.2 Should the Joint Strategic Committee support the motion, then the Committee should ask Officers to prepare a further report on the substantive issues to be presented at a future meeting of the JSC.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 There may be direct financial implications in future depending on the course of action the Joint Strategic Committee wishes to take.

6. Legal Implications

- 6.1 Rules concerning motions are set out in the Council's Constitution under paragraph 14 of the Council's Procedure Rules.

Background Papers

Motion to Worthing Borough Council on 18 February 2020

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Motion from Cllr Smytherman regarding EU Citizens in Worthing

Worthing Borough Council Notes:

1. That the current rights of EU citizens living in Worthing should always be fully protected no matter what the outcome of the ongoing UK - EU27 negotiations and council recognizes the invaluable contribution made by EU nationals living and working in the borough of Worthing.
2. That support and protection should be provided for all EU citizens who live or work in Worthing, throughout and after the Brexit process;

Full council resolves to:

Ask the Leader of the Council to write to the Prime Minister to publicly thank all EU Citizens living and working in Worthing to recognise the invaluable contribution they have made in the borough and to see their status safeguarded and offer assistance gaining settled status should this wish to.

This could be accompanied with an online campaign and an article in Worthing news publications to reach as many residents as possible.

Ask the council officers to explore ways in which they can help EU citizens in Worthing during the transition period.

Proposed by Cllr Bob Smytherman
Seconded by Cllr Martin McCabe